

General Interview Tips

1. Stay calm & composed at all times
 - a. An interview is an “Interchange of Views”...nothing to get nervous about. Think of it as a coffee shop chat with a stranger.
2. Don't focus on the result; focus on your behavior
 - a. How you come across is more important. You don't always have to get answers right. It's your attitude that will win the day for you.
 - b. Show the interviewer that you always stay positive, optimistic, and eager to learn (quick learner).
 - c. For questions you have no clue about, don't guess or lie. Say, I've never heard about it but will surely find out after this call.
 - d. Sound excited and give relatively detailed answers. Short responses could come across as “Not really interested”.
 - i. Example: “Would you be happy to join us?” – Don't just say “Yes, I would.” — Say why you would...like: “Yes, I would because it gives me the opportunity to grow and to learn. The culture and environment seems productive”
3. Never Interrupt the question – wait for the question to be completed. Give it 2 secs and start your response
4. Voice modulation – Clear, medium-paced tone. Don't speak like you're speaking to yourself or to someone who knows you for years.
5. Practicing with a friends-friend (stranger), really helps – mock interviews.
6. If video calls – look at the camera at ALL times. Never waiver. Sit upright (don't slouch or appear jittery). Stay cool
7. Give examples to substantiate your answers – more examples the better you will sound in terms of subject confidence
8. Keep at least 2 – 3 questions ready for the interviewer too.
9. “Introduce yourself please?” – You need to sell yourself well on this question. Tell them what they want to hear. No smart answers, please. Come across as humble yet confident.
10. Why should I hire you?
 - i. I am a smart guy or I am the best for the job = Bad answers
 - ii. I may not be the smartest person around but I learn and apply myself quickly. I listen and I am open to suggestions. = Good answer